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You indicated that at a recent meeting of the Taylor Committee it was suggested that [] be awarded a medal. [] advises me that Admiral Burke instructed one of his aides to see what could be done about giving [] a Silver Star Medal. As a result we forwarded to Commander Day in Admiral Burke's office a reasonably sanitized report of [] activities to support any such award and also for use in drafting a citation.

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Since it is my understanding that the Silver Star can only be awarded in time of war and for conduct above and beyond the call of duty, it may not be feasible to give this medal to []. Therefore you may wish to consider awarding him one of our CIA medals and I have attached a memo describing these medals. [] also told me that in due course the WH Division will be sending up recommendations for a number of CIA awards to those engaged in the Cuban operation.